

Case No: BT-024 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Crosson Smith, Steven A.

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For: Method for Remotely Authorizing a Payment Transaction File Over an Open

Network.

Examiner: Augustin, Evans J.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 21, 2005

Examiner:

In response to the Office Action of October 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.